

For Students: Please listen to the teacher read the dialogues and question before answering each question. Please answer the questions with the full answer rather than only the number. The dialogues are contained in this pack after the question for your review. Please do not read them until instructed to do so by the teacher or after the lesson.

Part 1 – Conversations



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No. 1

- 1 Help people in need.
- 2 Go back to school.
- 3 Take early retirement.
- 4 Take it easy for a while.

No. 2

- 1 Wait and see if the bank calls her.
- 2 Check interest rates at other banks.
- 3 Open a deposit account today.
- 4 Come back to the bank in a few weeks.

No. 3

- 1 Ask for a refund.
- 2 Let the lease expire.
- 3 Continue paying the same rent.
- 4 Reduce her office space.

No. 4

- 1 Take her son to work with her.
- 2 Call Brenda and ask her to work.
- 3 Reschedule her son's appointment.
- 4 Cover for a co-worker.

No. 5

- 1 Apply for a job.
- 2 Purchasing new lights.
- 3 Make their own movie.
- 4 Sign up for a college course.

No. 6

- 1 He plans to buy a new bike.
- 2 He is struggling financially.
- 3 He wants to open a business downtown.
- 4 He is interested in dating.

No. 7

- 1 They should have planned where to go.
- 2 His father did not enjoy the trip.
- 3 They could not keep to their schedule.
- 4 His father refused to share the driving.

No. 8

- 1 She will be away on vacation.
- 2 She has arranged to meet other people.
- 3 He will be on a business trip.
- 4 He has not returned her calls.

No. 9

- 1 Her appointment has been canceled.
- 2 Armand is out of the office today.
- 3 There are no positions available.
- 4 She can't leave her résumé with him.

No. 10

- 1 Come back to the station at 10:15.
- 2 Wait for the traffic conditions to improve.
- 3 Go to Kentbury by taxi.
- 4 Check the bus timetable.

No. 11

- 1 He dislikes having to work in the evenings.
- 2 He has not found it helpful.
- 3 He is tired after giving his presentation.
- 4 He has a lot of work waiting for him.

No. 12

- 1 Change the dates of his business trip.
- 2 Arrange a picnic for the playgroup.
- 3 Find a park with a jungle gym.
- 4 Give her directions to Fairfield Park.

No. 1

Elizabeth: Hi, are you new here?

Ethan: Yes. Actually, this is the third sports club I've joined in two years.

Elizabeth: What was wrong with the other clubs?

Ethan: Nothing, really. I just always get tired of the same routine and quit going.

Elizabeth: Maybe you should try working out with a personal trainer.

Ethan: How would that help?

Elizabeth: It makes a big difference to your motivation to have someone pushing you all the time.

Ethan: I'm not sure I can afford it, but I'll look into it.

Question: What does Elizabeth suggest Ethan do?

No. 2

Jose: Welcome to First Capital Bank. How may I help you?

Ashley: I heard that your one-year deposit account offers a 4.1 percent interest rate.

Jose: Ah, that was just a limited introductory rate, but the campaign finished last week.

Ashley: What is your current rate?

Jose: It's 3.2 percent. We may be offering another special rate in a few weeks, though.

Ashley: I see. Please let me know if that happens. I'll leave my name and number.

Question: What does Ashley decide to do?

No. 3

Linda: Hello, Linda Jacobs speaking.

Paul: Hello, Linda. This is Paul with Century Property Management.

Linda: How can I help you?

Paul: I'm calling about your office lease. It's expiring in two months. Were you planning to renew?

Linda: As long as the current terms don't change.

Paul: I'm afraid the landlord is planning to raise the rent.

Linda: But I can hardly manage as it is. Do you think you could speak to him for me?

Paul: I can try. I'll get back to you later.

Question: What would Linda like to do?

No. 4

Claire: Hello.

Ted: Hi, Claire. It's Ted. Listen, someone called in sick. Could you come in to the office?

Claire: Sorry, my son has a doctor's appointment this afternoon.

Ted: We really need you. How about just a couple of hours?

Claire: Did you try Brenda? She needs the extra money.

Ted: She's out of town.

Claire: Well, as long as I'm done by 2. That'll give me some time to get my son to his appointment.

Ted: Thanks, Claire.

Question: What will Claire do today?

No. 5

Alexis: Sean, I'm thinking of making a movie of life around campus. What do you think?

Sean: Sounds like fun. Can I give you a hand?

Alexis: Absolutely. I think I'll need a few people to handle the lighting and things like that.

Sean: Lighting? You're really serious about this, aren't you?

Alexis: I sure am. It'll look great on our resumes, especially if we can get it shown on Open Campus Day next year. You know, to give people an idea of what it's like here.

Sean: Then let's try to get some people with experience. We could put up an ad on the student notice board.

Alexis: Good idea. I'll do that tomorrow.

Question: What are these people going to do?

No. 6

Charlie: Sara? Is that you? It's been ages!

Sara: Charlie! What are you doing downtown?

Charlie: My company moved its headquarters here last month. Hey, how's your business?

Sara: Not too bad. Bill stays home with the kids now, so I'm the sole breadwinner. And you?

Charlie: Same as ever—I work a lot, and spend my free time riding my bike. I'm still single, so if you have any friends who are looking...

Sara: Actually, one person does come to mind. Let me have your e-mail address.

Question: What do we learn about Charlie?

No. 7

Sophia: How was your vacation with your wife and kids, Jake?

Jake: OK, but it didn't quite go according to plan.

Sophia: What happened?

Jake: Well, my dad came with us, and he took over as usual.

Sophia: What do you mean?

Jake: We drove, and he insisted on stopping whenever something look interesting. We never made it to half the places we had planned to go to.

Sophia: I guess it made him happy, though.

Jake: I suppose so.

Question: What does Jake say about his family vacation?

No. 8

Billy: Ray Collins from SolarTech called. I gave him your cell phone number, so he might call you.

Alyssa: Oh, no. I think he wants to meet for lunch next week.

Billy: Is there a problem? I thought SolarTech was one of your best clients.

Alyssa: It is, but I already have lunchtime appointments every day next week.

Billy: Just be straight with him. I'm sure he'll understand.

Alyssa: I hope so. The week after is no good, either. I'll be on vacation.

Question: Why is Alyssa unable to meet Ray Collins next week?

No. 9

Grace: Hello. I'm here to see Armand White.

Anthony: I'm afraid Mr. White's in meetings all day today. Did you make an appointment with him?

Grace: Actually, no. I heard there was an opening in sales here, so I decided to stop by.

Anthony: I see. Well, if you'd like to leave a résumé, I'll pass it on to Human Resources.

Grace: If I came back later, could I give it to Mr. White in person?

Anthony: Sorry, that's out of the question.

Question: What does Anthony tell Grace?

No. 10

Ava: Excuse me. Did I just hear that the 9 o'clock train to Kentbury has been canceled?

David: Yes, Ma'am. By the time a replacement is ready, the next train will be leaving anyway.

Ava: But that doesn't leave until 10:15. I've got to be in Kenbury by 10.

David: You could take a taxi. The worst of the traffic should be gone by now. Or take the bus, which couldn't cost as much..

Ava: I'd rather pay extra. At least then I might get there on time.

Question: What will Ava probably do?

No. 11

Taylor: Enjoying the conference, Cliff?

Cliff: Yes, it's been very useful. I'm glad it's the last day, though.

Taylor: You must be exhausted after your presentation.

Cliff: That wasn't so bad, actually. But the sooner I get back to the office, the better.

Taylor: A lot of work to do?

Cliff: Not especially. I just want to get back to my usual routine. Making contacts and networking during the day is one thing, but having to meet clients every evening as well is a bit much.

Taylor: I know what you mean.

Question: Why is Cliff glad the conference is nearly over?

No. 12

Briana: Peter, some of the parents at the kids' playgroup are talking about having another picnic.

Peter: Sounds like fun. Let me know when you've decided on a date.

Briana: Actually, we were wondering if you could organize it.

Peter: That depends on when you have in mind. I'm away on business for a week this month.

Briana: Either Saturday the 14th or the 21st.

Peter: Hmm... The 14th should be OK. How does Fairfield Park sound?

Briana: Perfect. The kids love the jungle gym there.

Question: What does the woman ask the man to do?

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